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Dialogue to address civil rights

Erik Robert Slagle
Senior Editor

Following an alleged incident of police brutality on the part of Madison Police last Friday night, members of the Drew community, including students, faculty and administrators, will meet Sunday night in The Other End to discuss individuals' rights and responsibilities with regard to police confrontations.

The student group Conscious Human Beings, informed of the incident by a Drew employee who witnessed the occurrence, circulated fliers Wednesday night in the Commons describing the incident as follows:

"Four men were sitting outside their apartment complex drinking beer, talking. Several officers arrived at the scene ... and they engaged in a conversation. For reasons that we have not yet been able to ascertain, the situation degenerated, and the police officers maced, beat, and arrested the men."

According to Director of Public Safety Tom Evans, who has been in contact with the chief of Madison Police following student questions about the incident, the allegations of police brutality are entirely unfounded.

"The persons being arrested

resisted arrest," Evans explained. "They were then taken to the police station, processed, and released. There were no serious injuries and no one was taken to the hospital."

The arrests were made as part of Morris County's Save Our Streets program. Save Our Streets is a joint effort between the Morris County Prosecutor's Office and local police.

"The focus of the program is to deal with complaints and concerns of the citizens of Morris County communities," Evans said. "The action taken usually deals with quality of life crimes, such as public drunkenness and disorderly conduct."

In all, 14 arrests were made that night "for a variety of crimes" relating to quality of life, according to Madison Police.

The first four, the ones which Evans said resisted arrest, involved young African-American men openly drinking beer outside their apartment. "The remaining 10 arrests were made without incident," Evans said.

The dialogue being held Sunday night will also address the "widespread systematic discrimination that we [the members of Conscious Human Beings] have all experienced at the hands of

the Madison Police," according to the distribution. "We feel that there are serious problems with the relationship between members of the [Drew] community and the Madison Police."

Evans said this is the first he has heard of incidents involving Drew students, and that even he is somewhat confused as to the nature of how the incident ties into the Drew community.

"I fully realize that different reports are being made by ... people who have strong opinions about police brutality," he said.

However, he said, "I am concerned with how the students are treated. We have the right to question authority. I'm not trying to subdue that right."

At press time, the only official course of action to address this matter will be Sunday night's open dialogue. However, according to senior Reynaldo Ortiz, a member of Conscious Human Beings, "Perhaps something else will be done It's in the planning."

In light of this incident, recent allegations of racial discrimination on campus, and University President Tom Kean's appointment to President Clinton's seven-man panel on race relations, next week The Acorn will begin a multi-part series of articles regarding race relations on campus. The series will begin with student opinion—both minority and majority—of race relations and what can be done to improve them.

'Crucial year for The Pub:' Hughes aims to restore neglected tavern



STEVE GARZA

Director of Student Activities Brian Hughes now has control of The Pub and wants to restore student enthusiasm in Drew's only 21-and-over hangout. See page 2 for related article.

Off-campus list will ease logistical concern

Carrie Richards
Staff Writer

Next Friday, the Drew faculty will vote on a proposal to revamp the enrollment process of study abroad programs sponsored by other institutions.

The new system would provide students with more support from the University while taking advantage of these programs and is intended to make the entire process easier.

The primary change involves the creation of an extensive Approved List of non-Drew international programs, which Drew faculty has re-

searched and recommended.

"In the end this list will benefit Drew students immensely," Director of International and Off-Campus Programs Stacy Fischer said.

The faculty strove for great variety when putting the list together, Fischer said. Professors considered program location, whether foreign or domestic; duration, semester or year-long; and type, whether experiential or traditional. The programs were selected based on their supplemental value to Drew's curriculum. Because Drew will be in closer contact with the sponsors of these

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An overview: Humanities and sciences, then and now



ANDREW BONDORNO

Joseph Margolis (CLA '47), Professor of Philosophy at Temple University, gave a state of the humanities lecture in Mead Hall Thursday night. He is a distinguished philosophical author.

Capital punishment: Panel attacks injustice and application of death penalty

Charles E. Toms
Staff Writer

Tuesday, three lecturers came to Drew to discuss problems with capital punishment in the United States.

The lecture was moderated by Professor of English Merrill Skaggs and was organized by Friends Meeting of Summit, a Quaker congregation located in Chatham, and Pax Christie, a Catholic organization in Morris County. It was also co-sponsored by the Religious Life Council and the African-American/African Studies Department. Skaggs said she was pleased with the quality of the speakers.

"I thought that the speakers were very interesting in their approach," Skaggs said. "They presented a lot of facts and some new viewpoints that I hadn't thought of."

The panel consisted of three speakers, the first of whom was Ed Martone, director of the New Jersey chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and director of the New Jersey

Organization to Abolish the Death Penalty.

While New Jersey hasn't had an execution since 1963, the issue is still important to discuss, Martone said. "The death penalty is not on the front burners for most people, whether they support it or not," he said. "Still, if we who oppose the death penalty wait for an execution, we'll be way out of time." Martone continued his lecture with a brief history of the death penalty in the United States.

Martone said that since 1976, when the United States Supreme Court allowed the reinstatement of the death penalty, there have been around 350 executions. Today, 38 states have capital punishment, and currently there are about 3,000 people on death row across the nation, including 14 in New Jersey.

Since capital punishment was restored, 1,500 death penalty sentences have been overturned. "The death penalty is an intolerable denial of equal protection for due process, based on race and poverty," Martone said.

Death penalty opponents have traditionally used the Eighth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which prohibits cruel and unusual punishment, to argue their cases.

"Both the state Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court have struck down the cruel and unusual argument," Martone said. "However, the issue that the death penalty is applied with racial, regional, and class bias, while it was not successful in the U.S. Supreme Court, was somewhat successful in the state Supreme Court."

The New Jersey Supreme Court has not struck down the death penalty, but it has said that it is very concerned about bias based on region and race.

New Jersey has proportionality review, which means the capital punishment cases must be compared to other cases to see if the punishment is justified.

Additionally, New Jersey has an automatic appeals system and insists that all death penalty defendants be represented by a

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NEWSBRIEFS



Habitat For Humanity

This weekend Habitat will be holding events to raise awareness of homelessness issues and funds for their winter and spring trips. They will hold a silent auction, a penny drive, and a sleep-out in the UC to simulate homelessness.

UPB elections

UPB is holding elections this week for Off-campus Events Chair, On-campus Events Co-chair and Treasurer. Petitions are available at the UC Desk and should be turned in Monday at the UC Desk. Elections will be held Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Correction

In the article published in last week's *Acorn* concerning Eberhardt Hall, Matt Diamond was mistakenly listed as a junior. Diamond, however, is a senior.

Flu shots

Health Services is currently offering flu vaccinations for students and University employees. Shots can be obtained at a discounted rate of \$10 for employees and \$5 for students. The vaccine can help reduce the chance of illness from the flu virus. Call Health Services at x3414 to make an appointment. Flu shots will be administered starting Wednesday.

Last lecture series

The Office of Residence Life will be sponsoring a lecture series each month by a Drew faculty or staff member. These lectures will be given as if they are the speakers' "last lecture," offering them the chance to lecture about what is most important to them. The series will be held in the Haselton-Eberhardt-Riker-Baldwin complex.

Whose Line...?

Drew University Student Television (DUST) will be producing their version of the British comedy show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" The show consists of contestants participating in improvisational games. DUST will be auditioning contestants tomorrow at 6 p.m. in the DUST studio.

Driving course offered

The Department of Public Safety will be offering a Defensive Driving course Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 27 and 28 in LC 30 from 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information or to register, contact Kathy Hand at x3898 or e-mail KHAND.

Brian Hughes: *Changing the face of Student Activities*

Erik Robert Slagle
Senior Editor

As part of a larger, gradual reorganization of the Office of Student Activities, Director of Student Activities Kim Sweeney Samson has brought Brian Hughes into the department to serve as one of two programming coordinators.

Hughes, who spent two years as an Administrative Assistant in the Department of Housing, Conferences, and Hospitality (HCH), was the only on-campus candidate considered for the position. "Fortunately, they chose me," he said. "I really like it here, and this was the position I really wanted."

Hughes said he "kind of fell into higher administration" on the college level. After graduating from Stonehill College (MA) in 1993 with a BA in communication dynamics and a minor in philosophy, he landed a job in retail and realized he hated the field. "I realized I didn't want to work in corporate America," he said.

He moved on to a temp agency which placed him in HCH, and when the opportunity arose to move into the programming coordinator position he jumped at the chance. "I wanted more direct involvement with the students," he said.

Two of Hughes' main responsibilities will be overseeing the operation of The Pub and assisting in planning the changing lecture series. The Pub is entering "a crucial year," according to Hughes.

The Pub

Four campus pubs across New Jersey were forced to close their doors over the summer due to lack of business, and several others are currently considering closing theirs. Drew's Pub, however, "is wanted and needed by students," Hughes said. "It really needs [attention]."

The Pub, Hughes explained, is an entirely independent entity within the University. It was started by a group of faculty and students in the 1970s. The Pub gets no funding from the school and runs solely on the business generated by its patrons—namely, the students.

"It's their Pub," Hughes said. "Sink or swim, it's up to them. It has to have a management in place that really cares about having it on campus. And I think the interest is there."

That interest has not been evidenced recently, as The Pub has frequently been forced to operate with a deficit. Hughes said he hopes to turn that around. The first step is a more selective management application process and a "very intensive" training course, as Hughes described it, to start next week. Interviews for managerial candidates are still taking place, and

The Pub is slated to open next Friday.

Beyond that, the improvement of The Pub will mainly be left up to the input of the students, Hughes said.

One idea which surfaced last year was designating certain "18 and over" nights, when students age 18 and up could come to The Pub. (Consumption of alcoholic beverages would still have been limited to those 21 and over.) This idea, however, met with some resistance from The Pub's few regular patrons and has since been laid to rest.

"The Pub is unique in that it caters to the over 21 crowd," Hughes said. "It's essentially a senior privilege, with a handful of exceptions. That's what makes it special."

Lecture Series

The lecture series, commonly known as the Sex 101 series, is looking to branch out in new directions under Hughes. "Interest in Sex 101 was declining," he said. "I spent the summer looking at the series and thinking about a way to reposition the series [to generate more interest]."

"Students are a lot more aware coming out of high school today than they were when the Sex 101 series started [almost 10 years ago]," Hughes said. "We're looking to broaden the series."

Two current possible topics for the revamped series are diversity and eating disorders, according to Hughes. "Of course we're always receptive to student input on speakers and subjects," he said. "And there's nothing that says that the series has to be entirely serious topics, either. With the approaching millennium there's a lot more interest in the supernatural and the unexplained. Students might like to hear a speaker come in and talk about, say, UFOs."

Hughes' position overlaps that of Katrina Healy, formerly the Administrative Assistant of Student Activities and now the second of the two programming coordinators. The two coordinator design came about "to better serve the student organizations on campus," according to Sweeney. "It's a system I really like," Hughes said.

"The demands being put on the department have increased," he said, "which to me signals their success so far. [Sweeney and Healy] had been doing a phenomenal job running it with just the two of them the past few years, but it was becoming very difficult because there was so much to do."

What mainly separates the two positions is the areas each oversees; while Hughes advises The Pub and works with the lecture series, Healy handles the Cultural Series and the "On the Road" series. Hughes and Healy will work together on the leadership series.

DEAL strives to increase environmental awareness

Conference brings inspiration to members in creating campus activity



STEVE GARZA

DEAL leaders take new steps toward improving the environment.

Alison O'Connor
Staff Writer

Members of the Drew Environmental Action League (DEAL) recently attended a conference held by the Green Voter Association.

Club Profile The conference took place Sept. 12 and 13 at Rutgers University's Cook College campus in New Brunswick.

Many students and adults participated in the conference in order to learn how they can protect their environment.

DEAL members who attended came back armed with many new ideas on how to conduct successful campaigns to increase environmental awareness.

DEAL is a student-run organization dedicated to raising "environmental awareness by trying to educate [people] about current environmental issues that affect us," junior Sara Rosen said.

DEAL's main objective is to "help clean up locally and promote awareness," junior Gretchen Ulrich said.

DEAL is currently in the process of reviving itself after a two year period of relative in-

activity.

The club is governed by a council headed by seniors Sandra Menendez and Hiba Qaraman, juniors Ulrich, Rosen, and Laura Kiken, and sophomores Beth Gallucci and Sayre Priddy.

These members have brought an influx of new ideas for jump-starting DEAL. These include a possible Kid's Day at the end of the school year and an Earth Awareness Day on or around Earth Day 1998.

DEAL members are also very involved in recycling. After Community Day this past Saturday, the members sorted through trash cans, looking for recyclable products, Rosen said.

DEAL's next event will take place tomorrow, at Madison Day. Students will be meeting in front of the Umoja House at 11:30 a.m.

They will then walk into town and spend the hours from noon to 2 p.m. cleaning up the streets of Madison. Anyone interested should contact Sara Rosen at x5620.

There will also be a "Rave for the Environment" Oct. 18. It is open to the entire Drew community and will feature a DJ, dancing, and food.

Drew University's International and Off- Campus Programs

GENERAL INFORMATION MEETING

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Religious forum facilitates discussion



ERIC ROBERT SLAUGLE

Religious Life Council held a meeting to promote spiritual dialogue.

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programs, quality control will be less of a worry, she said.

In addition to the Approved List, the International and Off-Campus Programs Office, in conjunction with other Drew offices such as Housing Conferences and Hospitality (HCH) and the Registrar, will provide more support services to students wishing to participate in these programs. Interested students will be provided with materials outlining the step-by-step process of enrollment in a non-Drew program. This system will allow Drew to keep more accurate records of where its students are and what they are doing. "It will enable us to help [students] better," Fischer said.

If students wish to participate in a program that is not on the Approved List, they may petition, with the support of a faculty member, to be allowed to take part in the program.

Drew currently offers nine semester-long off-campus and international programs. Students whose needs are not met by these programs are able to apply to and participate in international programs offered by other schools.

The process is primarily carried out by the student alone, often without significant support from the Drew faculty and staff. There is no formal system in place that students go through to participate in one of these programs. If students wish to look into a non-Drew program, they can go to the Office of International and Off-Campus Programs. There they may look through a reference guide to off-campus programs or use a study abroad website.

Students must apply to the program on their own, and without the help of an advisor or other faculty member, it is difficult to know if a program will meet their needs or be of sufficient quality. Those participating in semester or year-long non-Drew programs must take a leave of absence from Drew and are respon-

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least two attorneys. "We have a fairly sophisticated system in New Jersey," Martone said.

There have been numerous studies done on the death penalty, including one performed by a group of attorneys, which found that blacks were ten times more likely than whites to get the death penalty. "I was shocked. This is something that I'd expect in the 1940s in Mississippi, not near the end of the century," Martone said.

When New Jersey reinstated the death penalty, the state Supreme Court said it believed that

sible for ensuring the transfer in the credits they earn studying abroad. They must also pay the other institution directly. While away, it is sometimes difficult for Drew students to receive housing and registration information, and some students come back facing ample living and registering predicaments, not to mention financial aid problems.

Fischer said the Approved List responds to student and faculty concerns that the current state of the non-Drew program process forces students to fend for themselves.

Senior Ceci Gaspar, who studied in Spain last spring in a program through Wells College, agreed. Gaspar said she experienced problems with financial aid and registration when she came back this semester. "[The new system] offers students more structure," she said.

The faculty has been working on the Approved List since last spring, and if the proposed changes pass next Friday, the new system should be in place for the fall of 1998.

capital punishment could be done without bias, but that if it saw bias it would rule the death penalty unconstitutional.

"The majority of the members of the New Jersey Lawyers Association said that the [criminal justice] system was racist, and that minorities cannot get a fair trial, especially in capital punishment cases," Martone said.

He continued, "The main reason is because of racist juries. People bring their prejudices with them into the courtroom, and they can't do anything about that."

After Martone's remarks, Albert Williams-Myers, a professor of African-American Studies at SUNY-New Paltz, spoke about the value of crime prevention. "If you gave African-Americans, American Indians, and Latinos the same opportunities as whites, those prison rates would drop," he said. "The political right is blinding people with disinformation about crime and the death penalty."

According to Myers, it cost \$25,000 per year per person in prison, but only \$6,000 to \$8,000 per child in school. He also said that it costs \$3,110,000 on average to maintain a death row inmate until the time of execution.

"Imagine what else we could do with this money. There is a moral vacuum in this country, and the political right is largely causing it," Myers said.

The final speaker was Sister Elizabeth Gnam, a chaplain in New Jersey's prison system. "I think the death penalty, I'm sorry to say, reminds me of the 'Final Solution,'" Gnam said. "How can we account for the fact that kill-

ing is wrong?"

Gnam said that while Texas used the death penalty more than any other state, it has the highest rate of homicide. "So much for deterrence," Gnam said. "I have talked with many death-row inmates. They tell me that if they had thought about cause and effect, that they wouldn't be there."

The United States is the only industrialized Western nation that currently has capital punishment. "Even Mexico recently got rid of the death penalty. Mexico won't extradite prisoners to the U.S., unless we promise not to execute them," Gnam said.

There are five methods of execution used in the United States: they are the lethal injection, electric chair, gas chamber, firing squad, and hanging. New Jersey uses lethal injection, which lulls people into thinking that execution is medical procedure, Gnam said.

"One man in our facility was sent to us because his cholesterol level was too high. They are concerned about keeping these people living, so that they can kill them," she said.

Gnam added that death penalty supporters often quote the Bible to support capital punishment.

"An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth is often used," Gnam said. "What they forget is that after Cain killed his brother, God put a symbol on Cain's forehead to protect him from revenge. I find it odd that Christians are only using the Old Testament, and are not looking at Jesus's teachings of forgiveness."

Fall 1997 Group Offerings Counseling and Psychological Services

This fall semester, Counseling and Psychological Services is offering several groups. Each group is designed to address specific concerns of the student population. Please call x3398 for further information.

COPE: Changing Obsessive-Compulsive Patterns of

Eating is a support group for students who are concerned about chronic dieting, bingeing, purging, and excessive overeating. If you are interested in COPE, please specify the area of concern: Obesity, Anorexia, or Bulimia.

IOU: Inner/Outer You is a group for students who struggle with concerns about body image. Members will learn strategies for coping with and changing body image anxiety and dissatisfaction, and how to enjoy and appreciate their inner and outer selves.

UFO: (Understanding Food Obsessions) Are your friends' eating habits a little far out? UFO is a support group for students who are concerned about friends with food obsessions and/or disordered eating. Members will learn about how food obsessions and disordered eating can develop, and how they can support friends who experience these difficulties, as well as gain support for themselves regarding their concerns about their friends.

Knit'N Bee Relaxed: Learn a skill while you learn to relax. Must bring your own materials. Open to students, staff, and faculty.

SOS: (Study Organizing Strategies) SOS is for students who have academically related difficulties, such as test anxiety, procrastination, poor study habits, and time management.

SHY: (Stop Hiding Yourself) is for the student who is unusually timid, bashful, or reticent in the presence of others. The group will focus on developing outgoing behaviors and attitudes.

For information on off-campus groups (i.e., support groups for clergy, sexual assault, eating disorders, parenting, abusive relationships) or off-campus individual counseling, contact Counseling and Psychological Services, x3398.

A.A. and S.M.A.R.T.: For information on Alcoholics Anonymous and Self Management and Recovery Training see e-mail or call x3398. A.A. meets in the Wellness Center every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

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LEAD EDITORIAL

Town-gown relations

Each year in the town of Cambridge, just an hour's train ride from London, a remarkable event takes place. Students from the ancient and world-renowned colleges that make their home in the little hamlet parade through the main thoroughfare. Traffic stops and town residents come to watch as Cambridge students march and ride floats down the medieval streets in an annual tradition that raises money for charity.

What makes this such a remarkable event, at least to Drew students, is the fact that town and colleges function as one unit in Cambridge. Indeed, the amicable relationship between the town and the colleges exists even after the parade floats are dismantled and traffic once again races down the high road (the English equivalent to Main Street). Cambridge stores carry college souvenirs and memorabilia, and local restaurants cater to the tastes of their academic neighbors.

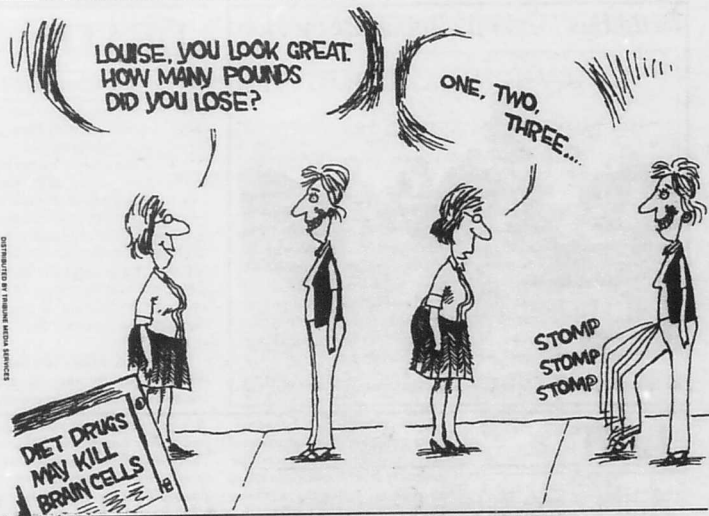
Now, town-gown relations in Cambridge, and other English college villages, have not always been rosy. There are stories from Tudor Britain of students being driven out of town by angry mobs who didn't want a bunch of brainiacs getting too comfortable in their neighborhood. Regrettably, the consensus among Drew students places our relationship with the town of Madison somewhere between the reigns of King Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth I. While students have not been lynched by angry Madisonites, they do feel that Madison residents are none too happy with Drew.

There are three institutions of higher learning in the immediate area, yet a pedestrian walking the streets of Madison sees no hint of the schools' presence. No college sweatshirts are sold, nor do most local restaurants cater to students. In fact, most Madison eateries are far too expensive for most students to enjoy regularly, and there are few places where students can gather for some down time after a stressful day, such as a bar or a club.

Granted, a few stores and restaurants offer student discounts, but despite this and other valiant efforts to foster better relations between Madison and the colleges, such as Community Day, there seems to exist a mutual enmity between the two parties. Although one cannot attribute this feeling to any one event, ask students what they think of Madison, and their response is likely to be, "A college town in denial."

In order to shake its ignominious reputation, Madison needs to make a sincere effort to publicize community events on campus. Similarly, Drew organizations, such as the Drew University Dramatic Society (DUDS) and the sports teams, should make more of a concerted attempt to get residents of Madison to come see their events. Such mixing of townsfolk and students would go a long way towards making relations more amiable.

The situation is far from unsalvageable. All it requires is a little communication and understanding from both sides. With that in mind, perhaps we can take steps towards becoming the community we so joyously celebrated last Saturday. Until we do, that day, and all other attempts to gloss over our differences will be inadequate.



READER'S FORUM

Richard Green taken to task for harsh criticism of Senatorial platforms

To the Editor:

I don't know if anyone else was as upset by this as I, but I found very disturbing the hurtful letter to the Editor in the last *Acorn* by Dick Green. I am well aware of first amendment rights, but there is such a tact, which was completely absent in Mr. Green's letter. Now, I am by no means a freshman and it did not in any way affect me directly, but that letter left a very sour taste in my mouth.

For those of you that do not know, the letter was concerning the inadequacies of the freshmen senatorial candidates. I can remember in my first year, I was very seriously considering running for that office. However, I had had no prior experience and so I was a bit apprehensive. My nerves got the better of me. I was fresh out of high school and, having no experience, was afraid that I couldn't present myself in such a way that would make

people vote for me. I think anyone who runs for an office in college freshman year is brave. Yes, it is not high school, but you have to take a chance. I admire all of the candidates for taking that chance. Perhaps I am too sensitive, but I don't think it is at all appropriate for a freshman to criticize classmates for doing something that he doesn't have the impetus to do himself. If you have a problem with the messages of the candidates or their semantics or spelling or whatever, why don't you run and show how it is to be done? I don't respect those who cannot substantiate their words with deeds and hide behind an editorial in feeble cowardice.

Micheline L. Welsh
sophomore

Thanks to enthusiastic Drew students, Community Day a success for all

To the Editor:

Last Saturday, September 20, Drew and Madison celebrated the sixth annual Community Day/SeptemberFest and by all measures it was the best one yet. The success of the day is largely the result of the efforts of Drew students who worked hard and performed flawlessly throughout the afternoon.

Friends from Madison told me how impressed they were with Drew students. A young mother said "Your students were wonderful. They were so patient with our children and so polite to us. There's no way I would have been that patient when I was in college."

So thanks to:

Christina Meo, Dmitry Vovchuk, all the student volunteers in the Children's Tent, Women's Rugby Team, All of the Above, On a Different Note, 36 Madison Avenue, Drew Equestrian Team, Drew Fencing Team, That Medieval Thing, Drew Juggling Club, Drew Environmental Action League, Alpha Phi Omega, Hayride Tour Guides, and Habitat for Humanity.

A special thanks to Professor Wendy Kolmar for her wonderful lecture on ghost literature of the 19th Century and her demonstration of the art of spinning.

Together, you all made Drew look good.

Tom Harris
University Relations

Volunteer organization offers Drew students opportunities to get involved

To the Editor:

Taking a dog for a walk, helping children create art, and greeting people at the New Jersey Supreme Court are all activities that do not conjure up the usual image of volunteering. It is easy to picture a volunteer as a person helping out in a hospital or as a tutor helping young students. Of course those opportunities exist, but the possibilities surely do not end there. The surrounding community has many diverse and worthwhile organizations waiting for a new, enthusiastic person to lend a hand.

The Drew Volunteer Office is here to help students find a position that is right for their interests and availability. There are positions available for both those who have transportation, as well as those who need it. Some students may have hours or days to give each week to volunteering, while others may only have a couple of

hours a month. Opportunities exist for those students, as well as everyone in between. To find out more on how the Volunteer Office can help you, contact Volunteer Coordinators Colleen Holland or Rebecca Fraser at x5888. You can e-mail us at VOLTEER or stop by our office in UC 106.

Be sure to look out for our Volunteer Newsletter announcing some of the many volunteer projects in which you can get involved. Also, tune into Drew's radio station, 88.9 FM, where we will be advertising various volunteer opportunities as they arise. You can make a world of difference. We can help.

Rebecca Fraser
sophomore
Colleen Holland
Volunteer Coordinator

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Native Southerner growing accustomed to life in Northeast

Sue Brennan
Staff Writer

I was one of three people in my graduating class to attend college above the Mason-Dixon Line. Now that my Southern counterparts have settled in at their own colleges, they warily inquire about my new life. Instead of volunteering information about Drew, however, I answer questions about soft drinks. "Do people really drink Pepsi? Do you say soda? What's Snapple?" After spending five years of my adolescence in the same city as the international headquarters of Coca-Cola (where Pepsi is the cultural equivalent of Goya Beans)—avoiding large pick-up trucks and Civil War

reenactments—I've stumbled back onto my own side of the cultural Mason-Dixon Line. I no longer live in Atlanta; I no longer have to pretend that I too believe the South really should have won the Civil War. I no longer attend high school football games where John 3:16 is plastered on a billboard next to the end zone. I no longer have to grapple with the Southern culinary phenomenon known as boiled peanuts.

In the Northeast, as a general rule, residents don't boil peanuts. Grocery stores bear names somewhat associated with the food industry. Fast food doesn't take the place of good pizza. Only in the South do people shop at the local Harris Teeter. What's the alternative to Harris Teeter? The

Piggly Wiggly. Only in the South is Pizza Hut considered real New York style Pizza. Lenders are the best bagels in town, and Ramen noodles (Oriental style) are the closest Georgia will ever come to takeout.

For those who would rather spend their college years on the set of *Deliverance*, life is different. Our collegiate contemporaries at, say, Emory University in Atlanta, have a choice of four non-country radio stations, three of which play Lynyrd Skynyrd on the hour. Students risk taking classes from professors who continually fail to pronounce the last consonant of their words. After 30 minutes, a simple lecture resembles the sheriff's radio calls in *Smokey and the Bandit*.

A small, religiously-affiliated liberal arts college in South Carolina is the antithesis of Drew. Campuses are dry; students pile into cars (with or without sober drivers) or troop through the woods at Furman College in order to party at off-campus frat houses.

Students are subject to room searches and drinking tickets by their resident assistants and the administration. Co-ed dorms? Try visitation hours, extended only for home football games.

Social life can be limiting when your partying companions are frat boys who can trace their family lineages back to Ted Turner and Robert E. Lee. Your roommate may very well be that one bitter person who spent three weeks

shopping for the perfect white dress and still didn't make the debutante cut. Still if you are a student at the University of Georgia, expect a person to knock on your door (usually early Saturday morning) and ask if you have been saved by Jesus Christ. Your response? Doesn't really matter.

Be thankful that you attend Drew when you only have to stumble to the next dorm early Sunday morning. Smile when the guys or girls next door steal your dry erase marker. Visibly cringe when you hear a person order sweet tea, and gently inform anyone living below Maryland that bagels are supposed to be chewy on the outside and soft on the inside. Drew, you are a lucky school. Damn lucky.

Other People's Opinions

(not ours)

"They say such nice things about people at their funerals that it makes me sad to realize that I'm going to miss mine by just a few days." — *Garrison Keillor*

"I was going to buy a copy of *The Power of Positive Thinking*, and then I thought: What the hell good would that do?" — *Ronnie Shakes*

"Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan—a Mount Rushmore of incompetence." — *David Steinberg*

"I'd rather have a free bottle in front of me than a prefrontal lobotomy." — *Tom Waits*

"What men desire is a virgin who is a whore." — *Edward Dahlberg*

"The only reason some people get lost in thought is because it's unfamiliar territory." — *Paul Fix*

(again, not our opinions)

Tough times for Albert

Despite the revelation that Marv Albert's accuser may have attempted to bribe a cab driver with \$50,000 and a car for damaging testimony, the sportscaster



The Critical Condition
David Faris
Opinions Editor

opted to end his embarrassing trial and plead guilty to assault and battery, and the sodomy charge was dropped.

But alas, we may not get the chance to see the world's first cross-dressing, back-biting broadcasting, because he was fired by NBC and subsequently resigned from MSG. However, the networks may be missing a marvelous opportunity for a ratings boost.

I can see it now: Marvelous Marv doing the 1998 NBA Championship live from Chicago in a hot pink dress; interviewing Michael Jordan in black leather and chains. It would certainly be quite a publicity stunt. ABC is probably licking its chops right now, waiting to snatch this sure-fire ratings bonanza for Monday

Night Football.

But really, can any of us watch another game that Marv Albert broadcasts? He may be saying, "Cleveland needs to be able to drive the ball inside," but what we'll be thinking is, "Marv Albert likes to wear women's clothing and participate in threesomes." I just can't take my sports from someone who might be wearing pink lacy underwear and harboring a secret desire to sink his teeth into my back.

Still, all is not lost for the big guy. Perhaps he could take up with some of our other cultural castaways. He could film porn with John Bobbitt, become movie buddies with Pee Wee Herman, or take up golf with O.J. Simpson. The tabloids could depict a blossoming affair with Jennifer Flowers or Paula Jones.

Then again, maybe we could all just get a life and find something else upon which to fixate our perverse fascination with celebrities. Will we ever tire of these sordid tales, these morsels of excitement that spice up our lives?

The answer to that question will hopefully be, as Marv Albert would say, "Yes, yes, yes!"

Tackling Judaism's sticky issues

It's not easy trying to explain the nature of Jewish anxiety to a non-Jew. By anxiety, I refer not to the stereotypical neuroses attributed to us by



The World As We Know It
Shawn Steinhart
Opinions Editor

popular culture, but by a distinct and often times desperate tendency towards self-preservation. If statistics are to be believed, the number of people practicing the customs of Judaism is steadily decreasing, and it is no wonder that many see us, as a people, spiraling headlong into oblivion.

Over the past few years, I

cal passages that appear to contradict the notion that by accepting Christ as the messiah, or *moshiach*, a Jew can somehow become "complete." The arguments seem sound enough, though I'm sure the issue can be debated further.

Near the end of the passage, Arkush makes a disturbing remark. He claims that "By accepting a Christian god you commit a cardinal sin. You become a traitor to your people and cannot be counted a Jew." We have now come upon one of the most complex and divisive issues in modern Jewry, one that requires us to define, or perhaps redefine, the very meaning of the word "Jewish."

To tackle this sticky issue, we must first accept the idea

more credible, though by no means worthy of defense, when we look at it from a cultural perspective. By failing to observe Jewish customs, a person does indeed separate him or herself from his or her ancestors. One neglects the long, proud traditions that survived persecution in every age, and one certainly loses a part of oneself in the process. Regardless of this cultural alienation, a person has the right to stop performing Jewish rituals if he or she so desires.

By Arkush's account, I am a traitor to my people. I do not believe in the god of the Bible. I cannot be coerced into doing so by talk of treason, nor can guilt bring me to believe.

I do, however, continue to

Religion is, by nature, a personal concept. It is the relationship one has to one's god or gods, the very essence of spirituality. One cannot therefore be a traitor to one's religion. If a person feels that he or she has not achieved spiritual fulfillment, it is his or her right to seek it out.

have received countless letters from organizations such as the Jewish Defense League exhorting me to continue observing Jewish law and to one day teach my children to do the same. It's a reasonable request, and though I cannot in good conscience promise to uphold all religious laws, I will teach my children the customs I learned from my parents.

Recently, I received an interesting e-mail message from Drew's Hillel organization. In response to a recent *Acorn* article on the controversy surrounding the messianic Jewish organization Beth Messiah, Hillel forwarded a portion of an article written by Rabbi Shmuel Arkush.

Arkush is the head of Operation Judaism, a task force dedicated to doing battle with missionaries around the country. The article cites several Bibli-

that Judaism has a dual nature. It is foremost a religion, but it is also a culture.

Arkush's argument fails to convince me when it comes to the religious aspect of Judaism. One cannot be a traitor to one's religion; the very definition of religion precludes Arkush's notion of treason.

Religion is, by nature, a highly personal concept. It is the relationship one has to one's god or gods, the very essence of spirituality. One cannot therefore be a traitor to one's religion. If a person feels that he or she has not achieved spiritual fulfillment, it is his or her right to seek it out. Indeed, one leads a horrifyingly empty life without some sort of spirituality. No one may say that a person's quest for fulfillment is invalid or somehow shameful.

Arkush's argument becomes

observe the rituals of Judaism. I keep dairy products and meat on separate plates at home, I read Hebrew and speak some Yiddish (a language that has all but disappeared), and I attend services for the High Holy days.

Self-righteous, holier-than-thou types would have us believe that these actions are merely empty rituals, for without God they certainly must be rendered meaningless.

I maintain that these rituals bring me closer to my people, to my immigrant ancestors who fled eastern Europe at the turn of the century, to my aunts, uncles, and cousins who perished in the Holocaust. I will readily and without shame admit that there is, for me, no spiritual fulfillment in these customs. There is, however, something of inestimable value in them—a sense of self.

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In a Nutshell

Movies currently playing at Cinema 4 in Madison:

The Edge

(Thriller, R: 117 minutes)



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Anthony Hopkins plays a man who has it all: loads of money, a beautiful wife (Elle Macpherson), and all the luxuries of life. That is, until his plane goes down in the remote wilderness. What follows is a tale of the struggle of a man against his own friend (Alec Baldwin), against nature, and against his own shortcomings.

The Game

(Thriller, R: 135 minutes)



ACORN WIRE SERVICE

Michael Douglas stars as a cold-blooded corporate executive bored with life who gets an unexpected dose of excitement when he signs up with Consumer Recreation Services, a company that apparently likes to send its clients to the depths of insanity by way of attempted murder, theft, drugging, and psychological terror.

In & Out

(Comedy, PG-13: 90 minutes)



ACORN WIRE SERVICE

An old student of drama teacher Kevin Kline's incorrectly reveals him as a gay man, resulting in a quest for the frazzled teacher to prove that he's not a homosexual—he's just a gentle guy.

Shall We Dance?

(Comedy, PG: 118 minutes)



ACORN WIRE SERVICE

Koj Yakusho stars as a socially comatose corporate accountant who comes slowly to life under the tutelage of ballroom dancer Tamiyo Kusakari. In Japanese with English subtitles.

Courageous Commons crew cases out kitchen

Contrary to popular belief, being czar of *Cooking in the Commons* carries with it a great deal of power. Yessiree, power, influence, wealth, and many, many attractive women.

Cooking in the Commons

Jason Fehr
Staff Writer



For instance, with a single sentence such as "The much-heralded jerk steak is little more than a bastardized version of jerk chicken," I can influence the future of an entire entree. Yup, I sure wouldn't want to be the guy in charge of that jerk steak right now....

However, holding this position is not simply one big long walk in a park (other than Central Park). With this power comes a great deal of risk. This might be a problem were it not for the fact that, of course, I literally thrive on danger. "Danger!" Fehr they used to call me back in my extra-dangerous days. I would drive with my eyes closed and eat the desiccators marked "do not eat" in shoeboxes just because of the danger involved. Now, with this column as a new outlet for my passion for danger, we trek into the darkest, scariest, most well-guarded area of the Commons: the



STEVE GARZA

Jason and trusty sidekick Amitav sneak past Commons security.

back room. Just what is the back room? What goes on behind the scenes at the Commons? Would we be horrified to witness the events that transpire within? On the scene is special news correspondent Amitav Sen: specialist in espionage, covert operations, and accidentally injuring himself.

Amitav: Well, here I am in front of "Changing Scenes," about to attempt the impossible. I am dressed in what we call "cafeteria camouflage," mostly

an array of pastries and rotisserie chicken stapled onto a paintings smock. I also have my full Quazi disguise on hand, which will allow me to sneak about in the guise of our favorite card checker just in case things get tough.

Me: Good thinking, Amitav. No one would ever suspect Quazi of being a secret agent for *Cooking in the Commons*. (Evil laugh.)

Amitav: Still, I must exercise caution. We all remember what happened to the last poor fellow who was caught sneaking about the back room

in search of a refill for the nutmeg jar.

Me: Yes, he sadly became the next two weeks' pizza toppings. Funny how nobody noticed a difference.

Amitav: Enough talk. It's time to show the world just how much guava is in that orange guava passionfruit drink. I'm going in.

Me: (sipping martini, with olive) It's a good thing my thirst for danger keeps this article interesting. How're you doing there, Amitav?

Amitav: AAAARRRRGGGGHHH (boing) (clack) (thud)

Me: Judging from that sound, it seems our correspondent tripped on a bag of lentils and collided with a portly chef, only to bounce off and fall into a large rice cooker. We shall pick up on this in next week's issue, after we have retrieved him and dressed his wounds.

Anyway, putting this little event behind us, I would like to move on and explore the more familiar regions of the Commons. Let's go to the mail bag and see what the fans suggest we do to improve our Commons experience.

Dear Cooking in the Commons:

You know that cheese goop meant for the potatoes? NEVER DRINK A GLASSFUL ON A DARE! NEVER! BAD IDEA!

Sincerely,
Hospitalized

It appears the writer has learned a valuable lesson the hard way. We shall continue with the mail bag in next week's edition of *Cooking in the Commons*.

The word on the street says people have mixed feelings about Aramark. I myself feel that Aramark is the food-management company equivalent of the Messiah. In fact, I'd take Aramark over Jehovah in a one-on-one mashed potato-making contest any day of the week. If any readers ever have any contact with the divine through a miraculous revelation, make sure to invite him to my cooking challenge.

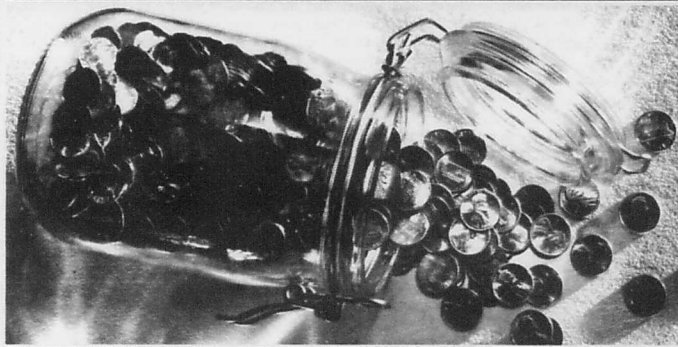
It is important for all Commons cooks to realize that most food is best enjoyed hot. However, some things (such as the pizza) get cold if left sitting there, even under the bright lights of the pizzasection. Simply place an napkin or two on a plate, stick your pizza on top, and it can be microwaved without getting soggy. Don't mock me with your laughter; this actually works. Also, remember to offer the new grill room person a plate of stuff to cook up—don't be satisfied with standing in line and just getting what the guy in front of you got.

It can be easy to forget to pile spices onto bland food, since they are now located near the pasta rather than near the salad bar. If you take a bite of something and don't immediately feel that there's a party in your mouth, do something about it! Take charge of your own dinner! True, you may ruin the food or accidentally develop halitosis, but think of how many times Jeff Smith (The Frugal Gourmet) made mistakes before his meteoric rise to fame and fortune.

Correction from last issue: Immediately after I berated Aramark for a lack of mints, they answered in a big way: two kinds of mints! Red and white swirly-wrapped or the colored chewy kind! My sincerest apologies for any pain, distress, or lack of minty breath this error may have caused.

Have any really great ideas for Cooking in the Commons? Would you like to become one of my disciples? Email JFEHR with ideas and info on becoming a loyal devotee.

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Sweet, savvy sounds of 36 Mad Ave

Susan Rella
Staff Writer

"Whoaaaaa Madave!"

If you ever hear this battle cry during your years at Drew, don't be alarmed. It is a sure sign of good things to come, for this mantra is the herald of one of the coolest *capella* groups this reporter has ever heard. "Whoa Madave!" is the signature and the inspirational cheer of 36 Madison Avenue, Drew University's very own all-male *capella* group.

As luck would have it, *Whoa Madave* is also the title of their new CD, released earlier this year. *Whoa Madave* is a compilation of some of the best of the group's songs, ranging from boppin' dance numbers to more sedate ballads, definitely ensuring something for everyone. The group will be busy touring the Madison area and surrounding states this year, but some had the pleasure of hearing them perform at Community Day last Saturday.

From the opening number of the set, one could tell that the show would be more than just singing; it would be entertainment as well. The assortment of songs could be defined as eclectic, but somehow I feel that would not be doing justice to the group. Starting out with a version of "King of Spain" that was not only insanely humorous but also personalized to Drew, 36 Madison Avenue went on to sing a variety of songs, showcasing their serious side as well as their penchant for humor. These covered a wide spectrum of music, ranging from well-known oldies to newer hits.

So for those of you out there who think of a *capella* group only in terms of stuffy old people singing somber Elizabethan English hymns, let me put your mind at rest. 36 Madison Avenue incorporates histrionics into its performances so well that the overall effect is more like watching a cabaret act than a purely musical performance. Right from the start the crowd was laughing, cheering, and, above all, applauding.

The group consists of 10 members: seniors Paul DiNuzzo, Chris Grygo, and Chris Nyhan; juniors Peter Cobb, Peter Eisenhower, and Steven Stafford; sophomore Gary Anderson; and freshmen Chris Cashman, M.C. Johnson, and Will Kolb. In an interview, the group expressed excitement and pride at the addition of Cashman, Johnson, and Kolb to the crew. At Community Day the new members sounded like they had been a part of the group forever.

One of the big differences between a *capella* singing groups and accompanied groups is the

that kept them going. A *capella* singers need many skills that accompanied singers are never required to learn, making a *capella* singing that much more rewarding.

For instance, the blending of voices and the intonation is much harder in a *capella* singing than if one has music to follow. Consequently, keeping the rhythm is a much more demanding task, as is maintaining the tone and pitch.

Also, without the assistance of a musical intro, one can just imagine how difficult it is to start a song so that everyone begins at

enjoyment. Surprisingly, though, that's the way it is. 36 Madison Avenue is not about competition, it is not about winning—basically, the singers are in the group just because they like to sing and have a good time. Anderson probably put it best when he said succinctly, "We're all about fun." After watching their performance and seeing them interact, I think I can buy that.

Much of their easygoing attitude has to do with the fact that they are a student-run organization, which tends to make the members more carefree. Because they do not have music instructors keeping a watchful eye on them every minute, they are more relaxed during their performances. Also, management and booking are delegated to different people during the year so that there is no one person with complete responsibility.

The group has many plans for the upcoming year. Besides touring, they also hope to do more recording and release another CD. Mostly, though, they are just basking in the glory of having a CD out now, having new members in the group, and learning new songs.

Maybe you've never heard an *capella* group before. Or maybe you have, but you didn't like it due to the stuffy pretenses or all-too-stoic manner of singing. If so, then maybe you should check out the CD of 36 Madison Avenue and see what this whole *capella* thing is really about. If you have a yearning to hear some Dave Matthews Band, Seal, Queen, or Sting (among other contemporary artists) done in a completely different style than you could have ever imagined, then I urge you to look into this group and their CD. If you do, you could find yourself repeating the words "Whoa, Madave," as well.



STEVE GARZA

Drew's all-male *capella* group sang with style at Community Day.

amount of teamwork that goes into a *capella* singing. The singers have to be ready not only to hear themselves, but, just as importantly, to hear each other. 36 Madison Avenue had no problem with this at Community Day. They appeared completely in synch, totally aware of each others' voices and roles and thoroughly comfortable with the group as a whole. This may not seem to be that big of a deal (musical groups are supposed to be able to sing together, right?), but if you consider the fact that they have only had one week of practice, it's not small potatoes.

When asked why singing a *capella* was so enjoyable for them, many of the members responded that it was the challenge

the same time. The singers' almost magical ability to pull a melody out of thin air adds to the thrill of a *capella* music.

Still, not every aspect of singing a *capella* is more difficult than accompanied singing. For one thing, a *capella* singers have much more freedom in their performances. Although they have to choose all their own parts from the musical version (including the best way of giving the illusion of a complete orchestra), they also have the freedom to change the songs around without fear of mixing up the timing.

Interestingly enough, none of the group's members expressed an interest in pursuing careers in music, and it seems difficult to believe that they sing solely for

Rodent Armageddon may be near: are you ready?

Imagine, for a moment, that the Drew campus is being overrun by a massive wave of squirrels. In an awe-inspiring offensive 20 years

Who, Me?



Myles Helfant
Entertainment Editor

in the making, they have managed, within 12 hours, to secure the entire front half of campus. Brothers College and the Hall of Sciences are completely covered in squirrel excrement; the administrators in Mead Hall have been herded into a conference room and are being guarded by heavily armed commando rodents with the gleam of bloodlust in their eyes; a huge bon-

fire blazes high between the library and the Methodist Archives, where squirrels—shouting oaths and shaking their semi-automatic acorn-shooting weapons in the air—are flinging every book on hawks on which they lay their paws, into the fire; juniors and seniors watch in horror from the windows of Hoyt-Bowne Hall as squirrel troops bring the students outside one by one and make them run up and down trees until they pass out.

Imagine a trench dug around the University Center and lined with barbed wire, with Director of Student Activities Kim Sweeney and Program Director Katrina Healy hunkered down behind the UC Desk, armed to the teeth with ping-pong balls in case the squirrels should break through and get past Assistant Custodial Foreman Bahaa Kandil, standing at the front door wielding a vacuum and a broom, prepared to kill or be killed in the name of the University he loves.

Imagine the remaining free Drew students fearfully huddled in corners of their dorms, frantically barricading their rooms and making last-minute phone calls to their friends and relatives. Imagine yourself as one of those Drew students

(since you are). What would you do?

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This weekend...

—TOMORROW—

Sasquatch Theatre, a local company started by Drew alums, will be performing in the BC Courtyard tomorrow at 2 p.m. (or in the Commons at 6:30 p.m. if it rains). At 4 p.m. they will host a seminar geared towards theatre majors in UC 104 on the differences between the theatre scene at Drew and in New York City.

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This week's JUMBLE O' WORDS

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 DENOJI _ _ _ _
 REVEWS _ _ _ _
 STUCCA _ _ _ _
 ROLWERP _ _ _ _
 BLABED _ _ _ _
 NADELO _ _ _ _

Now unscramble the circled (or ovalled, if you will) letters to find this week's

Big Exciting Mystery Thingie:

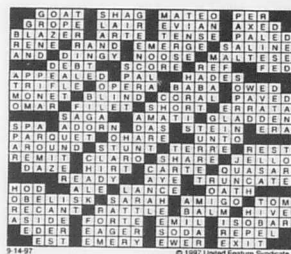
In autumn, militant squirrels attack innocent Drewids with these:

Last week's jumble pretty much went like this:

NLBWO was BLOWN
 AARGEG was GARAGE
 EARCET was CREATE
 LDIEVR was DRIVEL
 AIRDET was TIRADE
 ETECERS was SECRETE
 ROBERD was BORDER

And many college grads will carry LOAN DEBT with them for the rest of their lives.

Last week's answers:



ACROSS

- 1 Cut the lawn
- 4 Tactical unit
- 9 Bob — of "Full House"
- 14 Boring tool
- 17 "A Bell for —"
- 19 Bizarre
- 20 Rome fountain
- 21 Loamy deposit
- 24 Jewel
- 25 Feudal subject
- 26 Showed again
- 27 Memphis street
- 28 Gold, in Barcelona
- 29 Fort —, Kentucky
- 31 Be against
- 33 Wildebeest
- 35 — Tin Tin
- 36 TV mogul Griffin
- 38 Auth. unknown
- 40 Shade tree
- 41 Spanish dance
- 43 Believe
- 45 — firma
- 47 Victim
- 48 Cast a sidelong glance
- 49 Scarlett's home
- 50 Antitoxins
- 51 Did a road job
- 54 In a —, briefly
- 55 Pesky insect
- 57 CIA's predecessor
- 59 Public disturbance
- 60 Atlas unit
- 61 Author Harriet — Stowe
- 64 Cracow's country
- 66 Breakfast choice
- 69 American's uncle
- 70 Copland or Spelling
- 72 Puppeteer Tony —

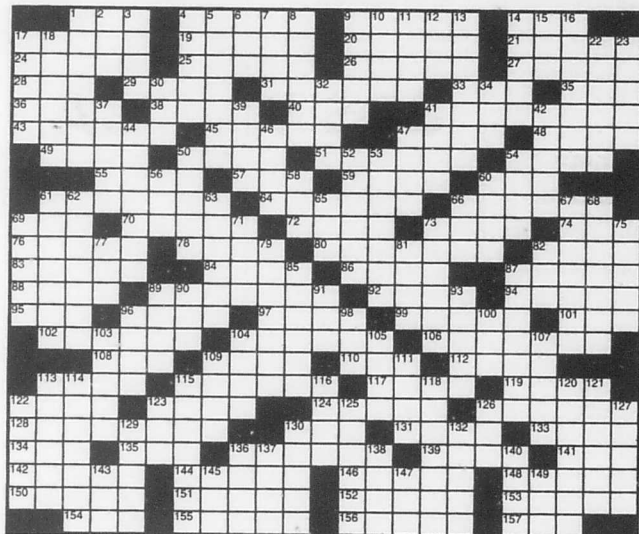
- 73 Actress Tyne —
- 74 Energy
- 76 Pond sound
- 78 Ark captain
- 80 Wild duck
- 82 Dole (out)
- 83 Bandleader Shaw
- 84 German port
- 86 Dark greenish blue
- 87 Ventilated
- 88 Deposited
- 89 Prepared the champagne
- 92 Related
- 94 Jeweled headband
- 95 In the past
- 96 Out of the storm
- 97 Composer
- 99 Fry quickly
- 101 Guy's date
- 102 Inflammation with love
- 104 Typewriter key
- 106 Surgeon's knife
- 108 Wipe out
- 109 "At the drop of —"
- 110 Golfer's gadget
- 112 Son, often
- 113 Walkway
- 115 Worn away
- 117 Host
- 119 Sunrise direction
- 122 Wise
- 123 Division word
- 124 More than enough
- 126 Fiedler or Murray
- 128 "Once bitten, —"
- 130 Hit sign
- 131 Whirlpool
- 133 Bark cloth
- 134 Picnic spoiler
- 135 Extinct bird
- 136 Blab
- 139 Scottish island
- 141 Part of a journey
- 142 Renter's document
- 144 Brother's daughter
- 146 Type of wave
- 148 Attractive woman
- 150 Admit
- 151 — Boothe Luce

- 152 Poetry muse
- 153 Worry
- 154 Cease
- 155 Fudd or Gantry
- 156 More recent
- 157 Have lunch

DOWN

- 1 Palma's island
- 2 Lennon's love
- 3 Author Herman —
- 4 Wise lawmaker
- 5 "Don —"
- 6 Western Indian
- 7 Jason's ship
- 8 More profound
- 9 Senator Thurmond
- 10 God of war
- 11 Actor Richard
- 12 Peron or Gabor
- 13 Felt a stinging sensation
- 14 Collector's book
- 15 Trouble
- 16 Student, at times
- 17 Large snake
- 18 Act like Woody Allen
- 22 Used a knife
- 23 Malaga man
- 30 — King Cole
- 32 Realty map
- 34 Negative vote
- 37 Edge
- 39 Famous pianist or fiddler
- 41 Guitar part
- 42 Marry secretly
- 44 Alternative to a waffle
- 46 Coarse file
- 47 Goad
- 52 Turkish mountain
- 53 Long curl
- 54 Cautious
- 56 "I get it!"
- 58 "Mayday!"
- 60 Pinocle term
- 61 Artillery fire
- 62 Feeling
- 63 First-year player
- 65 Flee hastily
- 66 Ford or Lincoln
- 67 Norm
- 68 Verbatim
- 69 Milan's La —
- 71 Finger part
- 73 Texas city
- 75 Olympics prize
- 77 Assist
- 79 Whirlybird landing area
- 81 Vietnam's neighbor
- 82 Caesar's 1,002
- 85 Emissary
- 87 Studio
- 89 Hoofbeat sound
- 90 Feminine pronoun
- 91 Dopey's friend
- 93 Certain realm
- 96 Asian nurse
- 98 Soak (flax)
- 100 — kwon do
- 103 Mexican Indian
- 104 "Begone!"
- 105 Harvest
- 107 Brooklyn institute
- 109 Bohemian
- 111 — Stanley Gardner
- 113 Nebraska Indian
- 114 Stir up
- 115 Improve
- 116 Flit
- 118 Act as a conciliator
- 120 Pungent bulb
- 121 Presley's birthplace
- 122 Play for time
- 123 Uniform: pref.
- 125 — rock: lava
- 126 Author Rand
- 127 Stormed
- 129 Correct
- 130 Range animal
- 132 Sorrow
- 136 Athletic group
- 137 Land measure
- 138 Ireland
- 140 French cleric
- 143 Transgression
- 145 Under the weather
- 147 Small European crow
- 149 Historic period

THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD



Intramurals information page

FLAG FOOTBALL

STANDINGS

Men's League	W	L	T	PF	PA	+/-
The Family	1	0	0	39	12	+27
Gable's Gang	1	0	0	31	19	+12
The Warriors	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dukes of Hazzard	0	1	0	19	31	-12
Your Mom	0	1	0	12	39	-27

Co-Rec League

The Slackers	1	0	0	28	27	+1
Your Mom 2	0	1	0	27	28	-1

RESULTS

Wednesday	9/17	Dukes of Hazzard	19	Gable's Gang	31
Thursday	9/18	The Family	39	Your Mom	12
Sunday	9/21	The Slackers	28	Your Mom 2	27

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Sunday 9/28	6:15 p.m.	The Warriors	vs.	Gable's Gang
	7:30 p.m.	Your Mom	vs.	Dukes of Hazzard

OUTDOOR SOCCER

STANDINGS

Men's League	W	L	T	PF	PA	+/-	PTS
Kreemi Joe Blobs	1	0	0	4	1	+3	3
Shamola Cake	1	0	0	2	0	+2	3
Brown Hall Burners	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Guapos Reunidos	0	1	0	0	2	-2	0
Free Agents	0	1	0	1	4	-3	0

Co-Rec League

Brown Hall Burners (CR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
The Slackers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

RESULTS

Monday 9/22	Free Agents	1	Kreemi Joe Blobs	4
Tuesday 9/23	Los Guapos Reunidos	0	Shamola Cake	2

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Sunday 9/28	8:45 p.m.	The Slackers	vs.	Brown Hall Burners (CR)
Monday 9/29	8:15 p.m.	Shamola Cake	vs.	Brown Hall Burners

BOWLING STANDINGS

Team Standings	Points	Pins
1. #1 Dog Pound	5	1506
2. #3 Rumpfed Footlickers	5	1287
3. #6 The Pinheads	4	1381
4. #7 No Names	4	1074
5. #5 Cheesy Poofs	3	1409
6. #4 No Joke	2	1120
7. #2 Whyz	2	1116

High Score Game - Men	High Score Series - Men	High Average - Men
237 David Grande	571 Tim Sanders	190.3 Tim Sanders
200 Tim Sanders	567 David Grande	189.0 David Grande
188 Augie Deblieck	555 Augie Deblieck	185.0 Augie Deblieck
182 Andrew Bongiorno	478 Eric Schwarz	159.3 Eric Schwarz
179 Eric Schwarz	459 Brian Dehaven	153.0 Brian Dehaven

High Score Game - Women	High Score Series - Women	High Average - Women
181 Heather Hemmer	464 Alison Lewis	154.6 Alison Lewis
174 Alison Lewis	460 Heather Hemmer	153.3 Heather Hemmer
115 Jennifer Brown	320 Jennifer Brown	106.6 Jennifer Brown

6v6 VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Tuesday	9/23	6:30 p.m.	Big Jack	vs.	Anonymous Alcoholics
Thursday	9/25	6:30 p.m.	The Cocktail Bandits	vs.	Roadkill
Tuesday	9/30	6:30 p.m.	The Cocktail Bandits	vs.	Big Jack
Thursday	10/2	6:30 p.m.	Roadkill	vs.	Anonymous Alcoholics
Tuesday	10/7	6:30 p.m.	Roadkill	vs.	Big Jack
Thursday	10/16	6:30 p.m.	The Cocktail Bandits	vs.	Anonymous Alcoholics
Tuesday	10/21	6:30 p.m.	Anonymous Alcoholics	vs.	Big Jack
Thursday	10/23	6:30 p.m.	Roadkill	vs.	The Cocktail Bandits
Tuesday	10/28	6:30 p.m.	Big Jack	vs.	The Cocktail Bandits
Thursday	10/30	6:30 p.m.	Anonymous Alcoholics	vs.	Roadkill
Tuesday	11/4	6:30 p.m.	Big Jack	vs.	Roadkill
Thursday	11/6	6:30 p.m.	Anonymous Alcoholics	vs.	The Cocktail Bandits

DOUBLE ELIMINATION PLAYOFFS WILL BEGIN ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 11

Registration is still ongoing for three Intramural Leagues:

TABLE TENNIS SCHEDULE

WEEK 1 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 20-26

Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)	vs.	Player 2 (Michael Manfredi)
Player 3 (David Nejat)	vs.	Player 4 (Chris Gorab)
Player 5 (Lou Kimmel)	vs.	Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)
Player 7 (Brad Krehely)		BYE

WEEK 2 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 27-OCTOBER 3

Player 3 (David Nejat)	vs.	Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)
Player 5 (Lou Kimmel)	vs.	Player 2 (Michael Manfredi)
Player 7 (Brad Krehely)	vs.	Player 4 (Chris Gorab)
Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)		BYE

WEEK 3 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN OCTOBER 4-10

Player 5 (Lou Kimmel)	vs.	Player 3 (David Nejat)
Player 7 (Brad Krehely)	vs.	Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)
Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)	vs.	Player 2 (Michael Manfredi)
Player 4 (Chris Gorab)		BYE

WEEK 4 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN OCTOBER 11-17

Player 7 (Brad Krehely)	vs.	Player 5 (Lou Kimmel)
Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)	vs.	Player 3 (David Nejat)
Player 4 (Chris Gorab)	vs.	Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)

WEEK 5 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN OCTOBER 18-24

Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)	vs.	Player 7 (Brad Krehely)
Player 4 (Chris Gorab)	vs.	Player 5 (Lou Kimmel)
Player 2 (Michael Manfredi)	vs.	Player 3 (David Nejat)
Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)		BYE

WEEK 6 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN OCTOBER 25-31

Player 4 (Chris Gorab)	vs.	Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)
Player 2 (Michael Manfredi)	vs.	Player 7 (Brad Krehely)
Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)	vs.	Player 5 (Lou Kimmel)
Player 3 (David Nejat)		BYE

WEEK 7 - PLAY THE MATCH BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1-7

Player 2 (Michael Manfredi)	vs.	Player 4 (Chris Gorab)
Player 1 (Dave Kimmel)	vs.	Player 6 (Brandon Elhai)
Player 3 (David Nejat)	vs.	Player 7 (Brad Krehely)

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Football Picks: Week Four

	This week	Overall
Hwang	4	0
Derek	4	0
Jeanine	3	1
Won	3	1
Jeff	3	1
Erik	3	1
Myles	2	2
The Profs.	1	3
Fran	1	3
Dave	1	3

Two people went 4-0 this week. Pretty impressive, I'd have to say. Although, I must say that I'm a bit confused as to how I can go 4-0 when the Jets tied their spread, but Jeanine said that she would fudge it for this week because she picked the Jets too—thanks Jeanine.

Jeff did pretty well for himself for this week too. I might add. Very impressive, my friend. I think TK has been giving him some inside tips for the Jet games, but I won't say anything. We'll just keep that our little secret. Of course, we also have a grade to discuss in our state politics class....

But I digress.

This week has some interesting match ups. The Giants and the Saints are not one of them. I'm going to have to ask Ryan Fraytic if he's going to be watching this game. I hope so, because it will probably lift his spirits. I love the Giants, but let's face the facts: their offense couldn't score on Marv Albert.

KC needs a quarterback, and they need to stop picking them from San Fran's reject pool. Seattle, on the other hand, had a good quarterback in Rick Mirer, but didn't know how to use him. So they traded him off and have a choice between John Friesz and

Warren Moon Mariner ticket sales must be going through the roof.

Washington vs. Jacksonville would be interesting if Jacksonville were playing a different team. I'm sorry, I just don't like Washington. I know they're not doing all that bad, but I still want them to play in the World League or something. Just get away from the NFL.

Steve Young is destined to be KC's next starting quarterback if

he isn't too careful about all of these concussions. Carolina is a strong team. They haven't quite settled in yet this season, but once they do, the rest of the league should be very afraid.

For this week, San Fran should be afraid. They've relied so much on Young over the past few years that they have ignored the backups. If and when he goes down, they're going to be in a world of trouble.

NY GIANTS

Prof. Apelian
Jeff
David
Fran
Myles
Shannon
Jeanine

5

New Orleans

Derek
Erik
Won
Hwang

KANSAS CITY

Prof. Apelian
Jeff
David
Shannon
Derek
Shannon
Erik
Jeanine
Hwang

5

Seattle

Fran
Myles
Won

WASHINGTON

David
Fran
Derek
Shannon
Erik

1

Jacksonville

Pro. Apelian
Jeff
Myles
Jeanine
Won
Hwang

San Francisco

Prof. Apelian
Fran
Myles
Won

3

CAROLINA

Jeff
David
Derek
Shannon
Erik
Jeanine
Hwang

X-country places third

Matt Christian

Staff writer

Last Saturday the Drew cross country team journeyed to Baptist Bible College to run one of the toughest races of the season. The women's team had a difficult time on the 3.1 mile course. Due to an injury halfway through the race, the team was not able to place among the competitors. The men's team made a good showing, however. They placed third out of 11 teams.

Disappointment came to the women's team at their race when their top runner, senior Kelly Flood, sprained her ankle during a trail section of the course. It was a devastating injury for Flood, because at the time, she was winning the race. Now, she is out for at least the next meet, possibly the one after.

On an individual basis, the women's team performed well. Sophomore Hiroko Nagumo placed 19th with a time of 21:51. Freshman Megan Cordes came in 24th in 22:21. Junior Maura DiFlippo raced in at 31st place with a time of 23:01. Rounding out the Rangers

runners was Kate Cyr in 47th place with a time of 25:43.

For the men's team, junior Kevin Purcell, who makes the Road Runner look slow, came in third place with a time of 28:27. Right after him in fourth place was senior Rob Davis.

If Purcell was the Road Runner, then he has some good intra-team competition because Davis was just four seconds shy with a time of 28:31.

About a minute behind the front two runners was speedy sophomore Ed Juarez. He placed 14th overall, with a time of 29:53. Following Juarez were the last two scorers for the Rangers. Senior Eric Wolff was Drew's fourth finisher, and sophomore Chris Zuck was the fifth scorer for the team.

The Baptist Bible course was incredibly difficult. With more than 3 hills on the course, times were slow. According to Zuck, "This was the most difficult course I've run since I've been here at Drew."

Hopefully, the Rangers will be able to heal and rest up for next race on Saturday at Dickinson.

SOCCER

from page 12

Yeager created another Ranger goal. Winning the ball at midfield, he calmly beat three defenders, spun, and fed Lopez for another easy finish. The goal was Lopez' second of the game and 10th of the season.

After the dust cleared and the

Devils finally broke the Ranger defense, a 4-1 thrashing went into the books. Drew fans showed their appreciation and gave an especially big hand to the FDU players wearing numbers 10 and 11, apparently Drew fan favorites.

Now the Rangers look ahead to playing Messiah College this Saturday on the turf. The team hopes for another win, solidifying their position near the top of the region.

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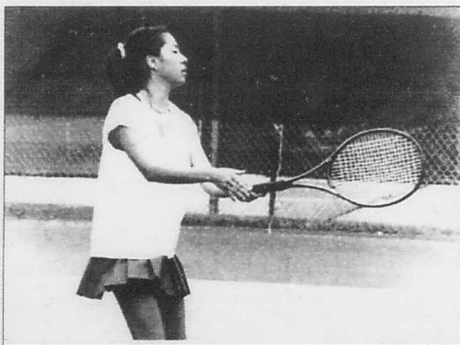
Jessica Bruno
Staff Writer

The women's tennis team had an even week, going 1-1 in its two matches. Still, the Rangers' record improved to 6-2 on the year, and the women remain undefeated in Mid-Atlantic Conference (MAC) play.

Last Sunday the team traveled to Allentown College, a newcomer to the conference, and dominated. It was quite a decisive victory, as the women came away with an 8-1 win. Although Allentown wasn't the fiercest of competitors, the Rangers had to use great amounts of teamwork to chalk up another win.

Wednesday, Montclair State University defeated the Rangers 6-3. Montclair was a very tough team all around, but the Rangers were able to win three matches. Junior Mindy Romeo and sophomore Lauren Morello captured impressive singles victories, while freshmen Amy Yang and Amy McNece turned up the heat in their doubles match to win 6-3, 6-2.

Last year the Rangers suffered an 8-1 loss against Montclair, so they have improved this year. Jun-



SHANNON GOULD

This past week the women's tennis team posted a .500 record.

ior Meera Desai was impressed with the team's performance despite its loss. "The freshmen came out strong; they've been a great addition to the team," she said. The team played well despite the absence of the fourth singles player, junior Melissa Tooley.

Individuals missing matches has been a common occurrence on this year's team. Most teams would find this to be detrimental, but not the Rangers. Romeo said one advan-

tage this year is the team's depth. The team works very well together and is optimistic about the remainder of the season, she said.

The team's next big challenge will be the Rolex Tournament held at The College of New Jersey this weekend. There are 13 to 14 teams involved in this competition, which is a national qualifier. If the Rangers can manage to win, they could be going to a national competition.

Club sports kick off fall seasons

Amy Yang
Staff Writer

Imagine a sport that combines football and soccer, where the object of the game is to score a goal in the end zones on either side of the field.

If you go to a match, don't expect to see athletes in pink uniforms playing a variation of touch football. This is not powder puff football. It's a full contact sport, and there's no sugar coating here. Welcome to women's rugby.

The women's rugby team had its first match Sunday against SUNY-New Paltz. The game was a close one, with New Paltz scoring one goal to win the match at 5-0. Senior co-captain Janine Calabro said that the team "did really well against a new team" and looks forward to winning the next home match Sunday, Oct. 5 against Sacred Heart University. The team looks strong this year, according to Calabro.

Although rugby is very intense and the women take their sport very seriously, "The team is really laid back. School and academics still come first," Calabro said.

The officers of the club are senior president Jen Proulx, senior co-captain Erika Frank, senior secretary Laurie Weigel, junior treasurer Sarah Skotnicki, and social secretaries juniors Emily Litman and Sara Braka. Above all, the women on the rugby team want to have a successful season and plenty of good times.

Also playing on Sunday was the men's rugby team at Seton Hall University. The men had an exciting match with senior captain Paul Jackson, sophomore Chris Gorab, and sophomore Chris Chillsy, all scoring goals to overcome Seton Hall University 24-5.

Two goals were scored in the first half and two in the second. Jackson scored the first goal of the game, managing to knock down the goal post in the process. In the second half, Seton Hall attempted a comeback with one goal but fell short.

The team has 20 to 25 players this

year, and its goals are to win the league, according to Jackson.

Like the women's rugby team, the men plan their practices loosely, letting players come as their schedules permit. "We usually get people who played varsity sports in high school but found they didn't have the time in college for that kind of commitment," Jackson said.

The men expect the same great results at their next home match, Sunday at 1 p.m. against Columbia University at Drew.

Another club sport at Drew is Ultimate Frisbee. Called "Bovine Intervention" because of the club's cow mascot, Ultimate Frisbee has both women's and men's teams.

The story behind the mascot goes back to when the founder of the team brought a cow skull from his hometown to Drew. The team decided that this was no ordinary cow skull, and has used it as a good luck charm. Reportedly, the team has been playing well ever since.

According to junior vice-captain Matt Christian, the men's team is fairly competitive, practicing every day for two hours. Each match is played on the weekends against schools like Penn State University, Lehigh University, Rutgers University, and Princeton University. Last weekend the team had its first tournament at Rutgers. This weekend, they are playing in sectional competition.

Not a lot of experience is needed for the sport. "If you have two legs, an arm, and a heartbeat, you can play Ultimate Frisbee," Christian said.

Many people don't know how Ultimate Frisbee is played, includ-

ing many of this year's freshmen, but the newcomers are learning quickly.

The game is played on a field 70 yards long with two end zones 15 yards long. Like football, the goal is to catch the frisbee in the end zone. It's illegal to run with the frisbee, and the thrower is given 10 seconds to pass after catching the frisbee. Once the frisbee hits the ground, the defensive team becomes the offensive team, and the play is called a "turnover."

The team is optimistic this year, according to senior captain Tyler Seto. They look forward to playing in the spring semester, when they play solely college teams. At the moment, the team is playing clubs in the area who range in ability and age, as well as colleges.

"All in all, Ultimate Frisbee is about having fun," adds Seto.

The women's team has a similar ideology, with senior co-captains Sharon Recker and Christina Meo heading the team.

This year's team is "excellent," according to Meo, with five new players providing balance between freshmen and seniors. "Our team really plays well together, and has done a good job pulling together. It's really great to have so much leadership on the team," Meo said. Especially important is the role seniors play in teaching the freshmen new skills in practice. "To each freshman there is always one senior to help out," Meo said.

The next tournament for the women's Ultimate Frisbee team, which is tomorrow at Penn State University, will determine whether the women qualify for regionals.

Albert proves best not always enough in sports

Jamie Hayman
Staff writer

The verdict has just come in. Marv Albert has plead guilty to misdemeanor assault and battery charges, and in return, forcible sodomy charges have been dropped. Now, instead of five years to life in prison, he faces a \$2,500 fine and up to 12 months in prison. Considering that he is a first time (convicted) offender, he will probably end up with the fine and probation. No jail time and no sex conviction, but what came next is the big surprise.

Within two hours of Albert's plea, NBC fired its number one NBA play-by-play announcer and number two NFL announcer. Within an hour of losing his job with NBC, Albert resigned his post as announcer for the Knicks on the MSG cable network, thus ending, for now, a brilliant 30-year sportscasting career. It is hard to say whether MSG would have fired Albert, but NBC wasted no time doing so, and what is more, they did so very professionally.

In the United States, a person is innocent until proven guilty, and under that assumption, Marv Albert was allowed to continue to announce while his trial was pending. He worked the NBA finals (rightfully so), as he had only been accused of wrongdoing, not convicted of it. NBC employed him for the first four days of his trial, but, as soon as he plead guilty they fired him—an unusual but refreshing incident in sports.

Too many times in sports, athletes, and those surrounding athletes are placed on a higher level than the general public. Steve Howe has been given nine second chances from drug abuse. Christian Peter is play-

ing for the New York Giants despite being cut by the Patriots for his various arrests and guilty pleas to assaulting women in his college days at Nebraska. Albert Belle threw a ball at a fan. Yet all these people are told, "You are the best. Therefore it's okay and we forgive you."

NBC's actions say, "You are the best, but that does not make what you did okay." Marv Albert may announce again, and he may not, but we can take refuge in the fact that for once in sports, being the best just wasn't good enough.

Speaking of good announcers, they sure don't work for TNT. After watching the Patriots vs. the Jets two weeks ago and the Dolphins vs. Bucs last weekend, both on TNT, it made me appreciate two things: 1) TNT only gets eight games per season and 2) the radio.

Mike Piazza's bid for National League MVP is going to come down to one thing: Whether the Dodgers win the pennant. Despite putting up great numbers at the most difficult position in baseball, and despite becoming only the second person in history to hit a ball out of Dodger Stadium, Piazza might not get the award because Larry Walker has career numbers. However, should the Dodgers win the West, it will be because of Piazza, and then he will get the MVP.

The best United States golfers go up against the best European golfers in the Ryder Cup this weekend in Valderama, Spain. The U.S. will try to win back the title it lost two years ago to the Europeans in what many consider golf's most exciting event. Kind of frightening, isn't it?

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Rangers on the rise: *Women's soccer team continues strong play, moves up in national rankings after win against Wilkes*

Jeanine Columbo
Sports Editor

Saturday night the nationally ranked women's soccer team hosted Wilkes University. The Rangers wasted no time showing Wilkes why they were ranked 10th in Division III. Junior Angie Polito scored unassisted at 32:55 to give the Rangers a 1-0 lead. Less than two minutes later Polito scored again, assisted by sophomore Christy Geraci, extending the Ranger lead to 2-0.

Before the end of the half the Rangers scored two more goals as a result of their offensive attack. The first came from the combined efforts of sophomore Cary McNeeley, Geraci, and senior co-captain Alissa Drasch. The second was contributed by junior Megan Weintraub. Wilkes finally broke through the Rangers' defense with 8:28 left in the half, bringing the score at half-time to 4-1 in favor of the Rangers.

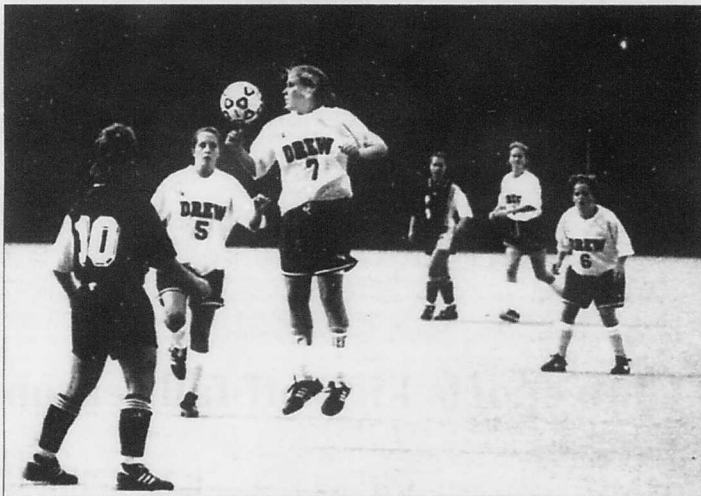
Midway through the second period of play, Polito scored once again, giving her a hat trick for the evening and the Rangers a 5-1 lead,

which is how the final score would stand. Throughout the game the Rangers dominated both the offensive and defensive play. They had 30 shots on goal while allowing Wilkes only three.

The game was a good win according to Drasch. "We were the better team. It was good for us to go out and prove it. It's important for us to win these [types of] games and win then solidly," she said.

Following the win against Wilkes, the Rangers traveled to Montclair State University Monday night. The only goal of the hard-fought game came at 28:53 when freshman Liz Jewitt, assisted by Polito and Drasch, put the ball past the Montclair keeper. This gave the Rangers a 1-0 lead and ultimately the win. The victory improved the team's season record to 7-0-1. The team's strong play this week also helped them to move up to the seventh spot in the national rankings.

Coming up this week for the Rangers is a home game tomorrow afternoon against Delaware Valley University and a game Wednesday night against Misericordia College.



ACORN FILE PHOTO

The Rangers' strong play this week has helped them move up in the Division III rankings.

Men's soccer loses first, dominates FDU

Gary Anderson
Staff Writer

The men's soccer team came into the week undefeated with a perfect 4-0 record. Saturday, however, the Rangers traveled south to face Delaware Valley College. The

result was the first Ranger loss of the season, as Delaware Valley won 2-0.

"I think that we were not well prepared," coach Lenny Armuth said. "The guys were just not in the right mental state. They were thinking ahead to the game

Wednesday)." The Rangers gave up a goal in each half and could not muster anything offensively, being shut out for the first time this season.

Although concerned about the loss, Armuth focused on games to come.

"It's hard to go 18-0," he said. "It's good that we got [the loss] out of the way. Our last couple practices have been very good and I think [the team] learned from their errors on Saturday."

Wednesday night on home turf, the Rangers showed that they have been over last week's poor showing at the previous game. The team came out energized against crosstown rival Fairleigh Dickinson University, dominating the early minutes of the game.

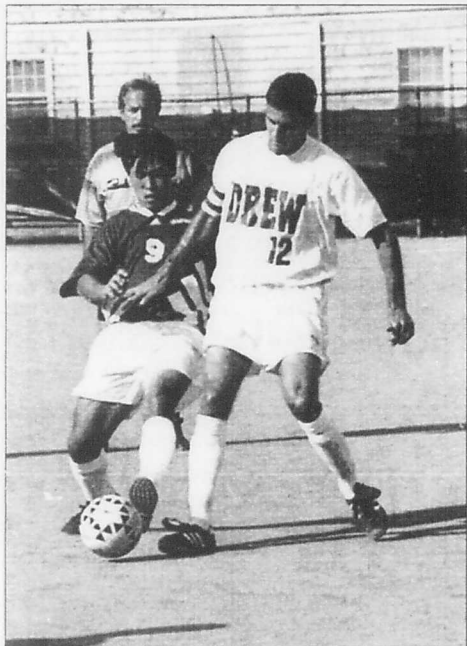
Ten minutes in, senior captain Eric Aaronian headed home a free kick by sophomore Chris Yeager, giving the Rangers a 1-0 lead. Apart from some lapses, the Drew midfield controlled the ball for the remainder of the half. Senior midfielder Marc Dwyer was rewarded at the 6:00 mark when he capitalized on a bouncing ball near the FDU goal.

The Rangers did not look content with a 2-0 lead going into the second half. Early pressure on the FDU defense led to numerous chances.

At the 30:00 mark, the Rangers took advantage of an FDU turnover at midfield.

Senior Marvin Lopez collected the ball behind the FDU defense, broke away, and neatly beat the opposing keeper for a 3-0 Ranger lead. Less than 10 minutes later,

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ACORN FILE PHOTO

The Rangers scored a solid victory over crosstown rival FDU.

Field hockey rebounds to beat Haverford 2-0

Dan Jamieson
Staff Writer

The field hockey team snapped a three game losing streak last night, defeating Haverford College 2-0. Junior Andrea Hanley and freshman Duffy Connolly scored for the team, which improved its record to 4-3.

The win was some consolation after a tough week. The Rangers dropped a tight 1-0 overtime decision to Springfield last Saturday, and then proceeded to lose 4-0 Tuesday at Swarthmore. The Swarthmore defeat was the team's third in a row.

The team went into the Springfield game knowing that it needed a huge effort coming off the recent loss to The College of New Jersey.

The Rangers certainly gave the effort, but they did not get any breaks. Coach Julie Clark said she was pleased with the team's performance and felt that the result was unfortunate after such strong play by the Rangers.

"We played our game," Clark said, meaning the team played with a controlled style on an artificial surface like the one at Springfield.

The only downside was, as Clark said, "We just didn't get lucky." Unfortunately for the Rangers, Springfield did. They scored with 13:44 to go in the first overtime period to seal Drew's fate, 1-0.

The disappointment that resulted from the Springfield game did not spark the Rangers in their

next match at Swarthmore. Drew gave up two goals in each half to the home team, while only managing two shots on goal for the entire game. The end result was a 4-0 loss for 2nd the Rangers and the pain of a second straight shut-out.

Clark said she was displeased with the team's performance, although Swarthmore's grass surface could have been a factor since Drew normally plays on artificial turf. Swarthmore, she said, played "big game hockey," a style typically played by grass teams in which the ball is sent up-field to utilize speedy attackers.

This is much different from the possession style which Drew incorporates into its game plan. The basic problem, Clark said, was that the Rangers "fell to [Swarthmore's] level" instead of continuing to play their own style game.

The team will look to build on the momentum of the Haverford victory in upcoming games against Delaware Valley College and Misericordia College.

When asked if there would be any adjustments made for these upcoming match-ups, Clark responded, "We will make changes. We are not sure how dramatic they will be, but we will make some changes."

Drew fans hope Clark's new plans for the team will pay big dividends by keeping the Rangers above the .500 mark and earning a post-season playoff berth.